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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PK, US, MASS

SUBJECT: DESTROYERS FOR PAK NAVY

REFERENCE: STATE 177037; STATE 132262

1. GREATLY APPRECIATE GOOD NEWS ABOUT RECENT PROGRESS ON ARMS SALES. TIMING WAS ESPECIALLY GOOD ON SPECIFIC NAVY ITEMS SINCE IT COINCIDED WITH RETURN OF ADMIRAL SHARIFF FROM THE STATES AND VISIT OF ADMIRAL CROWE TO PAKISTAN.

2. THE HEART OF OUR MILITARY SALES RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PN IS THE GEARING SALE. REPLACEMENT OF THEIR AGING DESTROYERS IS OF CENTRAL CONCERN TO PN AND PROGRESS ON GEARING SALE IS YARDSTICK BY WHICH PN MEASURES ITS MILITARY SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP WITH US. ALTHOUGH PAK NAVY IS PLEASED GEARING SALE HAS MOVED TO THE HILL, IT IS STILL WORRIED ABOUT HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE FOR ENABLING LEGISLATION TO BE PASSED. IN THE MEANTIME, PN LEADERSHIP BELIEVES IT IMPORTANT THAT SOME ADDITIONAL MOVEMENT ON SALES BE MADE. BOTH SHARIFF AND VICE CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF MUNGAVIN FACE RUMBLINGS FROM THEIR STAFF ABOUT WHAT STAFF PERCEIVES AS SLOW MOVEMENT ON GEARING SALES. IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO THE CHIEF AND HIS DEPUTY IF SOME ADDITIONAL PROGRESS COULD BE MADE ON THIS IMPORTANT ITEM.

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3. IT HAS BEEN EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING THAT WHEN ENABLING LEG-

ISLATION WENT TO CONGRESS ON THE GEARINGS, IT WOULD INDICATE US NAVY HAS CHOSEN THE TWO SPECIFIC SHIPS WHICH, IF CONGRESS APPROVES, WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE. MUNGAVIN HAS NOW RAISED WITH US AGAIN THE POSSIBILITY OF A PN TEAM VISITING THE STATES TO INSPECT THE TWO GEARING CLASS DESTROYERS EARMARKED FOR PAKISTAN. HE POINTS OUT THAT AN INITIAL INSPECTION WOULD BE VERY USEFUL TO PN IN ALLOWING IT TO MAKE NECESSARY DECISIONS ABOUT TRAINING AND GENERALLY IN ORDER TO INCREASE PN'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE GEARINGS. BEFORE VISIT IS SCHEDULED, WE WILL REEMPHASIZE TO THE PN THAT IF PERMISSION GRANTED, SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT PRESENTLY ON THE SHIPS MIGHT NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE WHEN SALE EVENTUALLY MADE.

4. WE WERE ENCOURAGED BY YOUR 132262 WHICH INDICATED STATE WILL SUPPORT A PN INSPECTION OF THE SHIPS AND YOU THINK NAVY WILL ACQUIESCE. (WE UNDERSTAND ADM. CROWE WILL SUPPORT THIS POSITION IN HIS REPORT TO THE NAVY ON HIS VISIT TO PAKISTAN.) IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE PN ATTACHES TO CONTINUED MOVEMENT ON GEARING SALE. AND ITS REAL AND LEGITIMATE NEED TO INSPECT DESIGNATED SHIPS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN OBTAINING CLEARANCE FOR PN TO SEND IT TO INSPECT THE GEARINGS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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